

APPENDIX R

From: Lake Davis Pike Project
To: Margenau, Terry
Date: 9/29/2005 12:21:40 PM
Subject: Re: np

Hi Terry,

Good to hear from you and thanks for your offer of assistance. We still frequently use the transcript of your visit/observations up here at Lake Davis. Pat Coulston from our Monterey office is putting together an article on pike habitat requirements & environmental conditions here in California. I am forwarding your email in case he wants to get in touch with you. Ivan & everyone say hello.

Hope all is well with you.

Julie

>>> "Margenau, Terry" <Terry.Margenau@dnr.state.wi.us> 09/20/05 12:45 PM >>>
Hi Julie,

I just received the flyer to notify of public meetings regarding np eradication. Interesting to see that the chemical treatment approach is again considered. I quickly reviewed some of the data from the past few years (2001-2004) and it looks like 15+ thousand np were sampled annually. Seems mechanical removal, etc. was not very effective - not surprising. Pike are pretty tough and resilient fish.

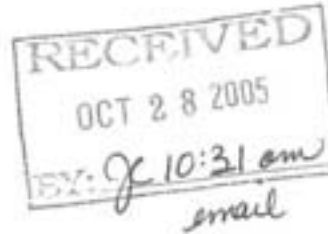
Anyway, best of luck with the project. If I can ever be of any assistance drop a line or call.

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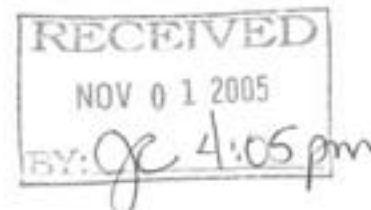
From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/4/2005 3:22:08 PM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: HOWARD MARKHAM
[REDACTED]



Comment:
PUT A BOUNTY ON THE FISH .. LET TH GENERAL POPULATION FISH FOR THEM AND EARN A BOUNTY FOR EACH FISH CAUGHT... I THINK THIS COULD HELP A GREAT DEAL..A LONG WITH OTHER IDEAS..

From: "Colleen Marsh" [REDACTED]
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/31/2005 7:01:10 PM
Subject: Comments on Eradaction Plan



My name is Colleen Marsh & I live directly below Grizzly Dam at Lake Davis. I have been very involved in the pike issue for many years now. A few weeks after the first treatment, my late husband & I noticed a putrid odor coming from our water faucet. Needless to say we were shocked, horrified & frightened, as the smell that was coming from our faucets was the same smell that was coming out of the dam. This incident occurred after the valve that controls the flow of water coming from the bottom of the lake was repaired by DWR. The purpose of fixing the gate valve was to get the chemical PBO out of the lake where it had been lingering in pockets. The thought was, by getting a better outward flow from the bottom of the lake, the faster the chemicals would dissipate. We had a well drilled prior to the treatment as we were on lake water at that time. We felt confident that we had made the right decision to protect ourselves & our 18 month granddaughter (who we babysat at the time) from any chemical residue as a result of the treatment. We pursued getting our water tested by an outside agency. This process took approximately three weeks. At that point we were told that the water was clear. The well has remained clean ever since. Our contention has always been that a 'slug' came through from the treatment. We obtained a report from Leland Gardner Hydrology Corporation that suggested that my well, the GLRID well (directly south of us) & the entire Grizzly Corridor could be in jeopardy of being connected to the lake or creek. Another study, done through Fish & Game by DWR also suggests that 30% of my well water comes from either the lake or the creek. With these facts in mind, I am requesting that my well, the GLRID well be tested daily for 6 weeks. This testing would begin on the day prior to the treatment & continue daily for the next 6 weeks. For the following two months, I am requesting that these two wells be tested monthly. Consideration should also be given to the Grizzly Corridor wells that may be affected by another treatment.

Thank you for your time.

Colleen Marsh

Ray Maxfield [REDACTED] wrote:
Mr. Powers

I think the KISS principal is the Key.

First "Free fishing for Everyone for 30 days,"
then Drain it..... empty.

Other sources of water can be found for the short term.

This is much much cheaper and safer for Everyone.

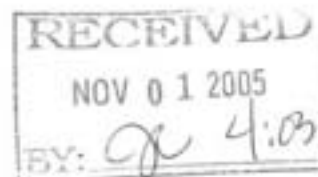
Ray Maxfield, Rocklin ca

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From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/31/2005 2:53:40 PM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan



Citizen: Ann McCampbell

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Comment:

Agree that a joint EIR/EIS must be prepared by CA DFG and USFS. Agree the project may have potentially significant impacts on the environment and human beings, as well as cumulative impacts.

In evaluating potential impacts to people who are particularly sensitive to air quality conditions, unborn children/pregnant women, those with chemical sensitivities, and those with neurological or immune disorders should be included (along with children, the elderly, and people with respiratory conditions). Impacts to sensitive populations of changes in water quality should also be evaluated.

Air quality impacts due to the presence of "volatile toxic chemicals" needs to be analyzed, not just the impact of "odors" (which are caused by the presence of these chemicals).

A systematic plan needs to be developed to assess and monitor any health impacts on humans. The CA Dept of Pesticide Regulation is not qualified to do this.

Agree that the EIR/EIS must analyze the potential impacts of rotenone formulations on the environment and humans. Mere registration of a pesticide product does not relieve project proponents of this obligation. Registration of a pesticide product does not mean that it is safe to use. Among other things, it does not take into account the impacts of "inert" ingredients.

EPA claims that a product does not "present a risk of unreasonable adverse effects to humans" is misleading because EPA can register a product no matter how toxic it is (and still make the above claim) if it feels there is a need for it or it would cause unreasonable economic harm if it were not registered.

In addition, rotenone was last registered in 1988. Thus, any EPA opinion is now out-of-date. Rotenone is currently undergoing a reregistration evaluation based on current data and a decision has not been made whether it will be reregistered.

The EIR/EIS needs to provide a full chemical analysis of all products proposed for deployment in water. This includes determining all the ingredients and/or contaminants in rotenone formulation(s), any dyes used to determine stream flow, potassium permanganate or any other neutralizing or other chemical proposed for use.

These chemicals should be evaluated for their persistence and toxicity, which includes their ability to cause cancer, reproductive/endocrine/developmental harm, neurological (especially rotenone link with Parkinsonism) and immune impacts.

Any chemicals on California's Prop 65 list should be identified.

Breakdown products also need to be identified and their toxicity and persistence analyzed.

Effects of mixtures of the introduced chemicals with their breakdown products should be analyzed as well as cumulative impacts from previous uses.

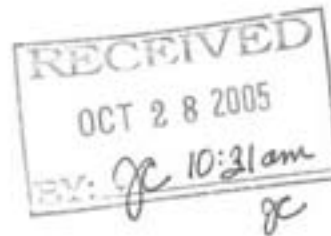
A compilation should be made of historic and current fish stocking in the Plumas National Forest, project area, and downstream to the San Francisco Bay.

If threats to salmon populations are the rationale for attempting to eradicate pike in Lake Davis, other threats to salmon as well methods to mitigate these threats should be included in the EIR/EIS.

The impact of the alternative of total dewatering of Lake Davis should be analyzed.

From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/5/2005 9:42:45 AM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: Heather McIntire



Comment:
Are there any more public scoping meetings being planned?
Thanks,
Heather

From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/25/2005 9:10:10 PM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: Ann Miceli



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Comment:

Have you ever considered organizing a fishing tournament? ie, no licence required, give monetary prizes (has to be cheaper than poisoning) As a former resident of Mn. I have had lots of fun catching pike, they give a good workout fight!

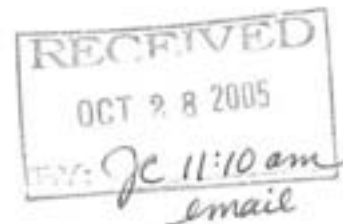
Northerns can be pretty good eating, not as good as walleye pike, but can be used for frying, pickling, chowders, and stock. With all the hungry people in Sacramento, it could help.

Maybe the local VFW's or American Legion clubs would get involved by having Fish Fry's like they do in Mn.

Baked Stuffed is another cooking method.

Thanks for considering my ideas, good luck in your endeavors.

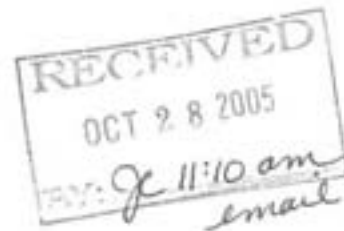
Sincerely, Ann Miceli, Sacramento, Ca.



From: "danamallard@excite.com" <danamallard@excite.com>
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/26/2005 5:23:33 PM
Subject: Davis Lake Pike

To whom it may concern, I fully support the Department's decision to poison Davis Lake. The longer the wait the more chances we have that the pike will make it to the delta. Not necessarily through the water system, but through human ignorance, or someone making a statement against the DFG. It only takes one bucket! Lower the lake as much as possible, use as much Rotenone as possible (Then add more), and poison the tributaries all the way to their source. Restore Davis Lake to a world class fishery....without Northern Pike. Dana W. Miller President Chico Area Flyfishers 3620 Bell Road Chico, Ca 95973

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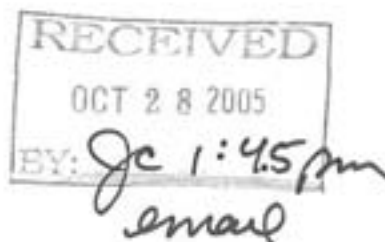
From: "Don Mitchell" <DMitchell@azgfd.gov>
To: "Julie Cunningham" <JCUNNINGHAM@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/12/2005 10:29:50 AM
Subject: Pike info

Julie

I got the information you sent me. Appreciate it! I've been keeping an eye on the situation over there through your website and various newspaper articles. Looks like your going to be very busy in the coming years! Please keep me in mind as you move closer to an action. I would love the opportunity to be involved.

Don Mitchell
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From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/28/2005 6:22:03 AM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: David Munizza
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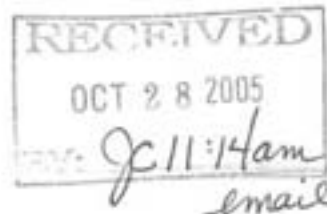
Lake Davis was once a thriving fishery that had EXCELLENT fishing for Rainbow trout. I used to fish there weekly during the season, now I don't even bother using the resource because the quality of the fishery has degraded so bad in the last few years. Please erradicate the pike once and for all. The politics involved with this situation has been allowed to get out of control with the people in Portola. If they want to have revenue from fisherman they need to do something to work with us as opposed to being in contention with the anglers.

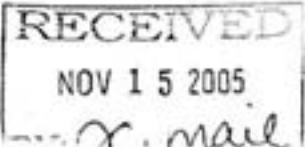
I can write for hours on this matter but neither of us have the time to read or write.

Please fix Lake Davis. They fixed Frenchmans. so we know it can be done correctly at Davis.

Best Regards,

David Munizza





November 8, 2005 2:20pm

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing as a concerned landowner regarding the eradication of the pike out of Lake Davis.

We bought our one-third acre lot in 2002 with little knowledge of the pike problem. We were under the naïve impression, from our realtor, that water would be available "in about a year" and we would be able to build. Well, three years later, we are still patiently waiting. And that is fine; our water and when we build our home is not the issue I am writing about today.

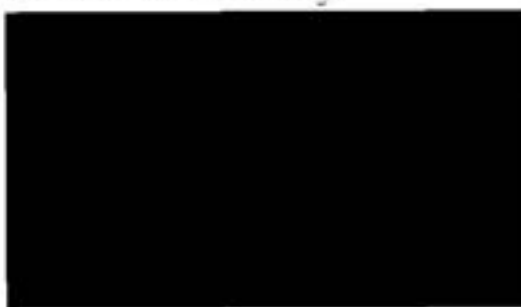
I am writing because I absolutely love the area: on the edge of the Sierras, surrounded by forests, rivers, creeks, and lakes. The small town of Portola has many things to offer, including room to grow into a wonderful outdoor community for many who feel that the Lake Tahoe area has become overgrown and overrun. So coming from this perspective it just breaks my heart the thought of having poison put into one of our local waters- not the first time- but the second time! It dampens my dreams of spending warm, carefree summer afternoons playing in the water with my daughter because in my thoughts I will question "Is this water safe?", "Do we really know the long term effects of exposing this poisoned water on growing children, much less ourselves?"

I see Lake Davis as a beautiful oasis, a wonderful asset to the Portola area, and a respite for families and ~~travelers~~ to enjoy whether boating, fishing, camping, picnicking, wild life viewing, or just sightseeing. But

I know the last time I was there- my family was one of the few camping. No one was fishing. Lake Davis was deserted. I would be greatly saddened to see that trend continuing because of another poisoning. Please remember in planning for the eradication that there are people who truly love nature and the outdoors and to whom poisoning is just not the right option to try to control something when especially the outcome can not be guaranteed.

Thank you for your time,

Jennifer Murray
Jennifer Murray

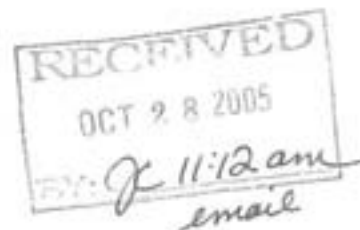


From: [REDACTED]
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/26/2005 9:16:58 PM
Subject: Lake Davis

Dear Fish and Game people,
Please eradicate the Northern Pike from Lake Davis as soon as possible. If these predators get into the river system below the lake they very well could decimate the salmonids in the system.

We fish Lake Davis on a regular basis and have been unhappy with the fishery since the pike survived the last round of treatment. Not only are the total numbers of fish caught down, but a number of them are pike that we have to kill. We are catch and release fly fishermen who enjoy the bird and wildlife at the Lake as well as the fishing. Please get rid of the pike!

Sincerely yours,
Donna and Dick Murrill
[REDACTED]



From: Ray Narbaitz [REDACTED]
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/26/2005 5:40:58 PM
Subject: Davis Lake Pike

To Whom it May Concern:

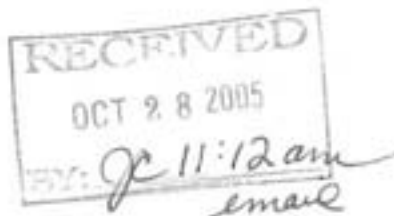
Why the issue of Pike in Davis Lake is not behind us is beyond comprehension. The time to stop trying to mollify the foot dragging faux-concerned citizens who are holding up the Pike's eradication is long since past.

The State of California along with the federal government have combined to spend hundreds of millions if not billions of dollars to try to protect native salmon and steelhead in the Feather/Yuba/Sacramento river drainages. The fiscal and ecological devastation that the Pike could cause in those drainages should they escape Davis is almost beyond comprehension. When compared to that huge picture, Davis is a small, fixable piece of the puzzle. I do not understand why we continue to drag our feet over the fate of an illegally transplanted, non-native species at the risk of our natural resources.

It is time to take the steps necessary to eradicate all traces of Northern Pike from Davis Lake.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ray Narbaitz
[REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/26/2005 8:59:31 AM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: Peter Niebauer
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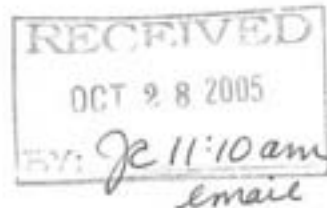
The pike must go. I've been fishing this blue ribbon lake for years and years and we must maintain this outstanding trout fishery for future generations. We must also, at all costs, prevent the pike from reaching beyond Lake Davis and down into the Lower Delta water systems.

Enough of our money has been WASTED on the ridiculous idea that the pike can be eliminated by electro shocking, detonation cords, netting and the list goes on...

I fully support the plan to lower the lake level to 25% of its normal level and treat the lake and tributaries with liquid rotenone.

Sincerely,

Peter B Niebauer



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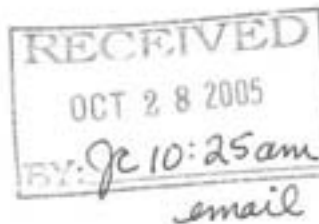
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To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/18/2005 2:24:17 PM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: Patti Pellum



Comment:

The only way to get rid of these nasty pike is to drain the lake and dispose of them. Each day it cost us more and they multiple. So what are we waiting for. get rid of them once and for all.



From: William Powers [REDACTED]
To: Ed Pert <EPert@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 9/29/2005 9:24:31 AM
Subject: Re: Lake Davis

I love the idea that Mr. & Ms. n. Pike have their own address! Thanks for following up so quickly. I'll change my email for you to "epert" from "edpert." I had more thoughts and quickly dismissed some of them. One was, maybe the new water treatment plant at Lake Davis could be used to provide enough water downstream back into Grizzly Creek during and immediately after the application? Then I thought of the political/public perception and thought it might cause more havoc than it was worth. Also, isn't the water pressure through the "sushi bar" going to drop significantly as the lake level drops, taking the chance of the grater effect being less significant? I've only been thinking about these things for eight years, so I may have a few more thoughts. See you soon.

Bill

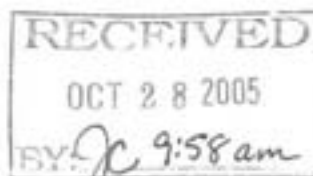
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Date: 9/14/2005 1:38:26 PM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: Aaron Ray



Comment:
How about a spearfishing tournament for Pike only?



email

From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/27/2005 11:30:31 PM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

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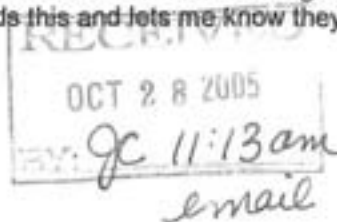
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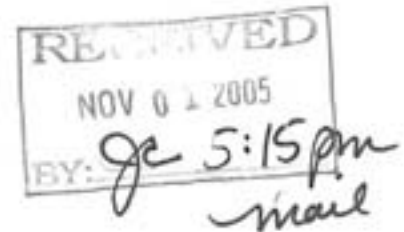
I have been following this sense the first poisoning. When I was in Oregon this summer I read they have the same problem with northern pike. They have a program that puts a bounty on the pike. Never have I read that this type of remedy has even been considered. I know the rules now are no live pike are to come out of the lake but with the money being spent since this started I would think someone could have come up with something other than poisoning, shocking and blowing up. How about a pike tournament? Bring money into the area. Add some extra rules. Most pike caught, most weight, bounty money on every pike. Subsidize the tournament with DFG money that is being spent on programs now that aren't working. If it was run right the fishermen would flock to the area. Free BBQ with pike on the menu. Bet you would get a lot of locals to volunteer to help you set it up and run it right. Throw in some free fishing clinics on how to catch pike. Even hire some to help put it together. What have you got to lose? Another disaster like the first one. Another hit to the locals with tourists. At least talk about it or bring it up in these meetings you have. Bounties on pike year round and tournaments at the best times to catch lots of pike. Have someone look at the programs in Oregon. People seemed to be happy to make some money catching fish. Win, win. I believe they had punch cards, \$5 a pike and got their money when they filled the card. Any kind of system can be worked out. Just need to get talking about it. Love to come up and join in if I was invited. Have some relatives to visit in the area to boot. Been talking about coming up and catching some of those pike myself. Hope someone reads this and lets me know they did.

Thanks

Jerry Rector
[REDACTED]



HARRY G. REEVES



October 30, 2005

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Lake Davis Pike Eradication Project
Comments to Project Description and Initial Study

The moderator for the scoping meeting I attended on September 26 introduced the Department of Fish and Game's program by stating that one thing everyone agreed on was that we had to eradicate northern pike from Lake Davis. Murmurs of disagreement within the audience indicated that there is not the consensus or unanimity about the need for eradication that the Department staff assumes. Need for the project is based largely on the Department's expressed belief that pike "are poised" to move from Lake Davis to the Sacramento River and the San Francisco Bay-Delta system where salmon and other native and non-native species of fish will become prey for the pike. The PURPOSE AND NEED for pike eradication consists of a sequence of assumptions that hangs on the statement, "Experience in Alaska and elsewhere suggests..." (§1.2 Initial Study Attachment A Project Description). There is no scientific analysis or research presented that substantiates these conclusions. It is not clear how Alaska waters bear any meaningful similarity to the S.F. Bay-Delta system. Nor is it clear why pike are expected to dominate these waters when there are so many lakes, rivers and estuaries where, whether native or introduced, pike actually are just part of the mix in their respective ecosystems. The environmental analysis (EIR/EIS) and decision to spend several millions of dollars on an eradication project should consist of science, not opinion.

To the Department of Fish and Game's credit, there is a history of at least 15 years in which no pike have been detected downstream of Sierra Valley. The policy of containment management of pike in Plumas County has proved to be admirably successful, not only at Lake Davis, but previously in Frenchman Reservoir and Sierra Valley. Given the success of containment, the environmental analysis should evaluate what the advantage would be to embarking on yet another costly and controversial eradication project. The public is entitled to real scientific and financial analysis, not opinion. Lest the success of the containment strategy be undone, the EIR/EIS needs to analyze, for each alternative involving drawing down Lake Davis, the risk of accidentally flushing pike, especially small ones, downstream.

The Project Description and Initial Study (Pg. 16) indicates the intention to evaluate the environmental and public health risks of rotenone and other active ingredients including solvents, emulsifiers, etc. This should be a thorough and scientifically up-to-date analysis.

A big problem with the Lake Davis project done in 1997 was that the chemicals and methods of application employed in the actual project differed from those in the Environmental Impact Report. Despite all the Department's pre-project assurances last time, the application and clean-up operations did not conform to the requirements set forth in the EIR:

- Aerial application was not addressed, yet a significant quantity of Nusyn-noxfish, the rotenone product used for most of that project, was sprayed into the air, creating unanticipated degradation of air quality that posed a risk to human health.
- We encountered drums of Nusyn-noxfish and/or powdered rotenone and other materials at Lake Davis that bore dates at least ten years old.
- We saw opened and empty product cans scattered around the perimeter of the lake several days after project completion, with nobody in attendance.
- The EIR for the 1997 project stated that the Department would remove dead fish from the lake. This was not done and we saw birds and mammals scavenging poisoned fish for several weeks. Analysis of all ingredients used in the project now proposed should also include effects to wildlife, including long term residual and cumulative effects.
- This time implementation must be consistent with the plan described in the new EIR/EIS.

One of the reasons I believe the 1997 project at Lake Davis failed is the extreme difficulty of mixing things in large volumes of water. Even when drawn down, Lake Davis is a big and complicated body of water. Walking the shoreline of Lake Davis after the project in 1997, I saw a few pike that were in bad shape, but still struggling several days after they should have been dead. This indicated that not all pike received a lethal dose of poison immediately, and suggests at least the possibility that a few individuals may have survived in pockets of unmixed water. If the project proposed by the Department is to proceed, there should be qualified hydraulic and/or chemical engineers included in the process to help design effective methods of distributing poison throughout the Lake and tributaries.

The initial study also mentions the need to apply rotenone to streams tributary to Lake Davis. These streams should be clearly indicated and the distances to which each reach will be treated should be specified. Methods of access to these streams and impacts to riparian habitats and wildlife should be described in the EIR/EIS. How will these impacts be mitigated?

Earlier this year there was a Federal Court ruling which stopped the use of rotenone in the Lahontan cutthroat restoration project proposed for Silver King Creek in Alpine County. The Department has to consider the possibility that a Lake Davis rotenone project could be halted. The Initial Study for Lake Davis indicates the intention to consider alternatives which include two that would be non-toxic: (a) complete dewatering of the lake and physical removal of unwanted fish species, and (b) the no-action alternative. These should be carefully analyzed in the EIR/EIS. No-action should further consider either continuing present practices or modifying management policy.

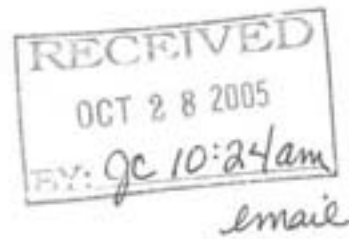


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From: "Eric Reitzell" [REDACTED]
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 9/27/2005 1:43:33 PM

Maybe there is some way that you can use heat to either gather the fish in one area or kill them.
Northern pike do not like warm water.



From: "dennis robinson" [REDACTED]
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/27/2005 9:36:59 AM
Subject: Eradication of northern pike in Lake Davis

I urge you to eradicate the northern pike in Davis Lake as soon as you can. Leaving northern pike in Davis Lake will allow them to work their way throughout California's interior waterways. Which already have enough problems of their own. I don't know who is responsible for this criminal act but I wish they could be found and held accountable. I also don't know how it can be done, since it has been tried once and failed. But, it desperately needs to be done.

Dennis Robinson
[REDACTED]



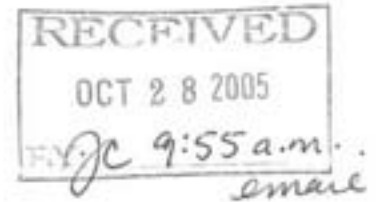
From: John Rodrigues <rodfam@nccn.net>
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 9/14/2005 5:23:04 PM
Subject: insanity

Isn't there a famous defination of Insanity that goes "Insanity is repeating the same action and expecting a different result?"

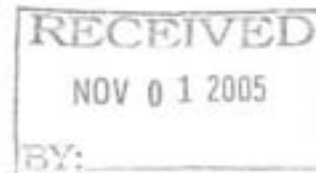
Why does fish and game believe this application of poison will kill the pike when it so obviously failed last time? Is there no other choice?

Sign me: Wife of a trout fisherman,

Eileen Rodrigues



From: Fran Roudebush <froudebush@yahoo.com>
To: <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/31/2005 8:57:54 PM
Subject: Comments on proposed Lake Davis Project



(The original email was sent using the link on the California Dept. of Fish & Game site at 4:55 p.m. on Oct. 31. I Cc'd most of the same people attached to this email, including myself, but did not receive the automatic reply nor did I receive the copy sent to myself. Therefore I am sending another email from my own site to see if it goes through. I sent it as an email not as an attachment as most state agencies cannot accept attachments for fear of a virus.)

October 31, 2005

California Department of Fish & Game
P.O. Box 1858
Portola, CA 96122

To Whom It May Concern:

I have been involved with the Northern Pike issue since 1988 when they were discovered in Frenchman Lake. Over the years I have come to understand the concerns of the California Department of Fish & Game (CDFG) that the pike will escape Lake Davis and invade the downstream fisheries. I share those concerns but my main concern is for my community and what will happen to it if/when the lake is treated again as proposed by this project.

I feel that an adequate drinking water supply will have to be addressed not only for the City of Portola but for Grizzly Lake Resort Improvement District as well. CDFG should look at well head treatment that will have to be done for the City to the wells they have now and the possibility of additional wells being drilled when the City is taken off line again from the treatment plant. I mention this even though neither the City nor Grizzly Lake Resort Improvement District (GLRID) is back on Lake Davis water at this time. The treatment plant is to be back on line in 2006.

If there are 5 or 6 formulations of rotenone that have been approved for use in the State of California than all the information that is listed on the labels of those products should be made available to the community. All Prop 65 chemicals that are in those formulations should be analyzed for health and safety issues that may affect the community. A risk assessment needs to be done and it needs to be more than my favorite term that was used during the last treatment, "an acceptable risk". The question then becomes acceptable to whom?

Another concern I have is the wells along the grizzly lake corridor. With the Lake Davis Settlement was an agreement to test 80 wells for a period of ten years, with another treatment I would hope this time frame would be extended another ten years. I would also hope that anyone wishing to have their well tested prior to the next treatment would be allowed to do so and become a part of the next ten year testing group.

When it comes to the air quality issues and the chemicals that are in the formulations one of my main concerns is the naphthalene, which so far as I know is in all the formulations. The laws/rules changed in 2004 and naphthalene may not be dispersed into the air. I am sure this is a very simplified way of saying it but if we have to put rubber around the hoses at gas stations to prevent the release of naphthalene because it is harmful than we should not be allowed to disperse it along the stream beds.

From the standpoint of loss of business and tourism to the area I would like to see a trust fund set up by the legislature to compensate the community, much as the settlement did the last time. I am not saying the same rules should apply to who should be allowed to apply but I feel the business owners and the property owners have a lot to loose because of the length of time it will take to recover from another treatment. I feel that CDFG should budget for an on going public relations campaign how the community

is recovering and encouraging the tourist to again come back to Portola and the surrounding area.

Property values have increased dramatically since 2003 with the continuing build out in the Portola area. My concern is that with another treatment housing prices will plummet. This is another area that I feel the legislature should look at compensation to the property owners if this happens.

What ever project is approved the community must be kept informed with town meetings or newsletters and/or workshops. The information must be given in an open and more importantly honest manner.

I am sure that there are many things I have left out of these comments but I would hope that I would have the right to add to them in a future letter as they come to me.

Sincerely,

Fran Roudebush
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From: [REDACTED]
To: "Pike Team" <northernpike@dfg.ca.gov>
Date: 10/25/2005 10:30:20 AM
Subject: Public Comment on Pike Eradication Plan

Citizen: gerald and mary rucker
[REDACTED]

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Comment:

We are against the plan to further poison Lake Davis - as well as any other plan that includes the use of these broad spectrum poisons. We support the effort to control egress and spread of Pike - sort of like alternative 5 - the cost of what would have been poison, etc - should be put in a pot for year-round Pike Derby at Lake Davis - a bounty on Pike from the lake - draw fishermen(women) to the area to fish - and provide prizes and incentives - get the community and business to participate in the effort too. Make it an economic plus instead of a bust for the locals.

